

# Michigan Underground Storage Tank Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Michigan Underground Storage Tank Authority Board was held on January 19, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. in Constitution Hall, Atrium Level, Patriot Room, located at 525 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brian D. Eggers, Sr., Chairman

John M. Dimmick, Vice Chairman Juman Doleh-Alomary, via telephone

Greg Gould Bill Saad

Grenetta Thomassey, via telephone

Robert Wagner

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

#### I. Call to Order/Establishment of a Quorum

Brian D. Eggers, Sr., Chairman, called the meeting of the Michigan Underground Storage Tank Authority Board to order at 1:00 p.m. with John M. Dimmick, Juman Doleh-Alomary, Greg Gould, Bill Saad, Grenetta Thomassey, and Robert Wagner present.

#### II. Review of Agenda

Brian D. Eggers, Sr., Chairman, asked if there were any recommended changes to the Agenda as presented dated January 19, 2016. There were no recommended changes.

## III. Approval of the Tuesday, November 9, 2015, Minutes

Brian D. Eggers, Sr., Chairman, asked if there were any corrections, comments, or additions to the minutes as presented dated November 9, 2015. A motion was made by John M. Dimmick and supported by Greg Gould to approve the November 9, 2015, minutes. **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY** 

### IV. Review and Approval of the Procedure for Board Review of Denials

Bob Reisner, Administration Division, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), provided a review of the Procedure for Board Review of Denials. A motion was made by Grenetta Thomassey and supported by Juman Doleh-Alomary to approve the Procedure for Board Review of Denials. **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### V. Introduction of New MUSTA Staff

Bob Reisner, DEQ, introduced two new Departmental Analysts, Sarah Sackrider and Travis Boeskool. Interviews were recently completed for the Authority secretary with an anticipated start date of February 16. The hiring process for an Environmental Quality Analyst will begin shortly. The hiring of a Financial Analyst has been put on hold until a determination on workload occurs.

## VI. Update on Program Implementation

Bob Reisner, DEQ, provided an update on the chronology of implementation events, statistics on approvals thus far, and presentations given and upcoming. Juman Doleh-Alomary asked how the Authority will provide information to small owners and operators? Bob stated there will be a calendar available soon and communication has been sent out through the DEQ's Remediation and Redevelopment Division's (RRD) list serve. Bob also stated that it is a challenge to reach single owners who may not be connected as they are typically not part of the list serve. It was suggested that a blanket letter be sent out to all owners and operators.

Juman Doleh-Alomary requested that an update as to the status of being able to submit forms online be made a regular agenda item.

## VII. Budget Update

Bob Reisner, DEQ, provided an update on the budget.

#### **VIII.** Public Comments

Brian D. Eggers, Dr., Chairman, requested comments from the public.

The following question was asked (the response follows the question):

Can the deadline for the deductible buy-down be extended? Bob Reisner, DEQ, stated that a deadline is required per statute. December 31 is the yearly deadline, but it was extended the first year of the program to January 31. Polly Synk, Department of Attorney General, stated that the Board can extend the deadline the first year. A motion was made by Robert Wagner and supported by Juman Doleh-Alomary to extend the deductible buy-down to March 31.

### **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### IX. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board will be held on February 16, 1:00 p.m., at Constitution Hall, 525 West Allegan Street, Con Con Conference Room, Atrium Level, Lansing, Michigan.

## X. Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candra Wilcox